necessary that a uniform policy be adopted for centralisation of atleast two sets of important newspapers in archival organisations so that if for one reason or other one set becomes unworkable the other is readily available for use. Moreover, these should not be damaged by cutting and removing any part of any particular issue for any sort of reference work. If the archival organisation is not subscribing either current newspaper or does not possess back issues either of the current or defunct papers, necessary funds should be provided to fill up the gaps.

Standing Committee's views: Preservation of newspaper files and clippings do not come, strictly speaking, under the perview of Archive institutions. There are various research institutions, libraries etc. which preserve the important newspapers. Besides, the newspaper offices themselves maintain backfiles.

B. Publication of a compendium of the Indian Historical Records Commission Resolutions

2. Resolution by Shri Tara Sharan Sinha

"Resolved that a compendium of all the Resolutions approved by the Indian Historical Records Commission in its past sessions be published for the convenience of its members. This compendium be edited with short notes giving in nutshell the position of their implementation in Centre/State alongwith references to earlier and latter resolutions on a particular subject."

Explanatory Note: It is generally observed that once resolutions are passed in a particular session of the Indian Historical Records Commission, they are published in the proceedings volume of that particular session with information regarding the follow up actions in a few of the subsequent proceedings volumes. There being no consolidated compendium of past resolutions, it is rather difficult to get an idea of the action taken on them and at times very often they lapse without being fully implemented for one reason or the other or are pushed out of the memory of the members of the Indian Historical Records Commission. New members are particularly handicapped for want of the same. It, therefore, looks pertinent that a compendium is prepared.

Standing Committee's views: A compendium of the Resolutions of the Indian Historical Records Commission covering the years 1919-1948 was published in 1949. Part II of this compendium pertaining to years 1948-1973 is now under print.

C. Preservation of journals in Indian languages

3. Resolution by Dr. Durgaprasad Bhattacharya

"The Indian Historical Records Commission hereby appeals to learned societies, research institutions and State Governments to take special steps to preserve and maintain journals in Indian languages published during the nineteenth century and requests the Members of the Commission to take an initiative in the matter whenever possible.